

NEW DRIVERS

WHAT A NON-DRIVER ID IS AND WHO SHOULD OBTAIN ONE

JONATHAN FAHEY: Welcome to DMV Infocast, an audio production of the Connecticut Department of Motor Vehicles. This is Jonathon Fahey.

Today I am here with DMV Division Manager, **Robert Russo**, talking about non-driver IDs and tips and suggestions for traveling with children or for Connecticut residents who do not have a valid driver's license.

JONATHAN FAHEY: Mr. Russo, thank you for joining us. What exactly is a non-driver ID?

ROBERT RUSSO: A non-driver ID is a credential that establishes someone's identity in the State of Connecticut.

JONATHAN: What do people typically use a non-driver ID for?

ROBERT: People would use it for travel, for opening bank accounts, applying for credit, just as they would use a driver's license, except for driving.

JONATHAN: Who is eligible for a non-driver ID? Are there any type of age restrictions?

ROBERT: There are no age restrictions. We issue non-driver IDs to infants all the way up to elderly people.

JONATHON: How do you get a non-driver ID?

ROBERT: The process is very simple. You go to any DMV with the application filled out. You do need a certified birth certificate or a valid passport, one other form of ID such as a Social Security card, and you do need to present a piece of mail showing that you do reside in the State of Connecticut.

JONATHAN: What is the cost to obtain a non-driver ID?

ROBERT: The cost is \$15, and that is only payable in cash.

JONATHAN: Where can you get a non-driver ID?

ROBERT: You can get a non-driver ID at any full-service DMV office including the Stamford, Willimantic, and Winsted satellite offices. You cannot get a non-driver ID at an AAA office or a bus.

JONATHAN: Do you have any other tips or suggestions regarding non-driver IDs?

ROBERT: If you are using your ID for travel purposes, I do suggest checking with the airline prior to travel. You may not even need an ID for a child. So every airline, I believe, has rules and regulations that you would check into before you travel. If you do need a passport, I definitely suggest that you get one well in advance because the lines are very long now for getting passports. The bottom line is when you're traveling, know what is expected of you and always have a safe trip.

JONATHAN: I would like to thank DMV Division Manager, Robert Russo for being with us today.

JONATHAN FAHEY: This has been an Infocast produced by the State of Connecticut Department of Motor Vehicles. Thank you for listening.